

REMARKS

Claim 15 is amended to further describe the sequence of processes. Claims 22, 27, 30, 39, 41, 42, 46, 47, 57-60, 63, 64 and 68 were amended to agree with the amendment to claim 15. Claims 17, 24, 28, 29, 43, 44, 56, 61, 62 and 69-71 are canceled.

Applicant elects group 10, which corresponds to all of the pending claims. The applicant traverses the Examiner's restriction, for at least the following reason.

At least one technical feature shared by the pending claims is a sequence of processes that includes a surface to mass control process followed by a separation process that is enhanced by a narrow surface to mass distribution. Because the claims after the amendment of claim 15 each require this technical feature, applicant submits that the restriction requirement no longer applies to the pending claims.

No fee is believed to be due. If, however, there are any charges or credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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